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ROANOKE AND SALEM.

We are glad to see a spirit in Salem which would draw that enterprising city closer to Roanoke. One of the leading planks in THE TIMES' industrial platform is that Salem and Roanoke are one in interest and that they will certainly grow together.

Nothing is more certain than that the beautiful, undulating valley in which both cities lie will become the seat of manufacturing enterprises so numerous and vast that the progress of to-day will be looked back upon, within twenty years, as merely an ambitious beginning. We predict (and claim no credit for predicting) that within less than ten years steam and electric conveyances will run through a continuous settlement from one city to the other at intervals of less than ten minutes and over no less than five different lines.

Now, let us go to a few other cities and see the foundations of great estates.

In Boston—Thayer, Crocker, Forbes! On what do they rest? Early investments in land.

In New York—Astor, Golet, Rhineland, Trinity Church and scores of others—Land.

In Philadelphia—The enormous Penn estate, the Girard estate—Land.

In Pittsburgh—Darnley—Land.

In St. Louis—Lucas—Land.

In Hoboken—Stevens—Land.

In Chicago—Long John Wentworth—Land.

In Washington—Corcoran, Riggs, Glover, Willard—Land.

In Roanoke—What considerable fortune is there here which is not directly based on land?

We confidently assert that four out of five of the great fortunes of America will be found to rest directly on land and its rise in value. Now what can be plainer than that the man who buys in either Roanoke or Salem or along the line of development between these two places and has the courage to hold on, is laying the foundation of enduring fortune? We say courage to hold on, for while it doesn't take much courage to buy, it takes a great deal to hold on when an offer of a goodly advance is made almost before the purchase money is paid down.

MR. ELKINS' DILEMMA.

It seems that brilliancy and blunders go together. Hon. Stephen B. Elkins is getting hot shot from Beersheba to Ballyhack for stating in his speech at Wheeling that the McKinley bill took pig tin from the dutiable list and put it on the free list. It has been on the free list for years and the McKinley bill took it from the free list and made it dutiable at four cents a pound from July 1, 1893. Now the brilliant and versatile Steve Elkins has only one way of escape, and to illustrate that pathway of retreat we will repeat a story that ex-Governor Sam T. Hauser, of Montana, tells:

"We were chased up a canyon in Montana one day in the fall of '86," says the governor, "by a war party of Cheyennes. Up we scrambled, between walls 1,000 feet in height, with the Indians close behind. Suddenly the wall closed in front of us in a sheer precipice 1,500 feet down. To advance was to be dashed to pieces; to return was to be scalped. Escape was impossible."

Here the governor always paused to light a fresh cigar, and some impatient auditor always asked: "But how did you escape?"

"Escape!" replies the governor.

possible? The answer is, "I was not one of us."

THE JOURNAL OF FINANCE.

The article entitled "A Wonderful Machine" which appears in another column is from the pen of Mr. W. P. Thompson, railroad editor of the New York Journal of Finance, the brightest publication of the kind in America. Mr. Thompson is not only a thoroughly trained journalist but is a graduate of the New York School of Mines, and familiar with his subject.

His paper, the Journal of Finance, is a recent and successful venture in a peculiar and difficult field. It was started by Henry Alloway, W. R. Corwin, W. Prentice and Mr. Thompson, the financial writers on the New York Times, World, Tribune and Herald respectively. And when their respective chiefs objected to their several subordinates having connection with an outside journal each and all of the independent quartette metaphorically put on their coats and walked out. They have no reason for regretting their course, as the Journal promises to be the most successful as it is the most entertaining newspaper of its class.

Mr. Thompson is now in Roanoke writing up the financial and commercial features of our development for his paper.

If there is any nickel in Virginia, now is the time to develop the mines. In anticipation of extensive demands of the metal for alloying steel plates for naval vessels the price has gone soaring. It is believed that undeveloped mines exist near the projected line of the Roanoke and Southern in Franklin county. There are a number of chances in that section lying ready for enterprising men.

A STATUE was unveiled at Concord, N. H., Thursday in honor of Gen. John Stark, of Bennington fame. We are pleased to announce that the sculptor departed from classical models, and the general is not stark naked.

WYTHEVILLE.

WYTHEVILLE, Oct. 24.—[Special]—Mr. T. L. Massie has gone East for the purpose of employing more hands for the Builders' Supply Company here. They have recently increased the number of their hands from twenty to forty-two, and Mr. Massie says this number will have to be increased to 150, so great is the demand for building.

Two extensive brick manufacturing plants are being organized under the drying process, by which work may be continued during the whole winter. This will make four brick companies recently organized here. The stove and range foundry building alone will require half a million brick.

The development company has ordered the immediate erection of ten elegant houses upon their reserve properties in the Trinkle tract, to cost from \$500 to \$2,000, work on which will begin at once. Bids are invited for the work.

The development company has voted a subscription of \$25,000 to the Danville and Southwestern Construction Company; the Hedgefield company will, it is promised, subscribe \$25,000. This company has been chartered for the purpose of building the Virginia and Kentucky railroad which crosses the Norfolk and Western here. The right of way for the road is progressing very favorably, and the construction company will meet in Washington in a few days for final organization, and will begin work on the road immediately thereafter.

The Wytheville Development Co., has approved the place of the buildings to be erected by the Virginia Stove and Range Co. They call for a brick building 195 by 160 feet, three stories high, and will undoubtedly be one of the most extensive factories in Southwest Virginia. The contract requires work of construction to begin within ten days, but will begin sooner as the foundations are already being staked off preparatory for stone foundations. It is intended to get the works in blast in 90 days. The Development company has granted them block 45, which lies between Monroe and North streets and about the center of the Trinkle addition and contains four acres. The entire plant will cost \$150,000.

The Development company has employed Mr. P. J. Curtin to take charge of the grading of streets upon their properties. A great deal more grading will be done at once on the Trinkle tract. Mr. Curtin was foreman in charge of the work of constructing the race track at the fair grounds, which is pronounced by turfmen as the best in the South, and has been engaged for several years with Major S. Walton on railroad work, and is one of the most successful managers in the State.

BEDFORD CITY.

BEDFORD CITY, Va., Oct. 24.—[Special]—Capt. Davis, for a number of years a conductor on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, a resident of Huntington, West Virginia, is here visiting his father, Rev. J. A. Davis.

A young white man named Coleman was before Justice Bush yesterday, charged with stealing a steer from a party living near Wades, this county. He was sent to board with Fitz for six months.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. O. C. Bell to Miss Gretchen Parr, daughter of Mr. S. Preston Parr, general manager of the Otter View Land Company.

Mr. W. S. McKinney's condition is now considered very critical.

Mrs. E. W. Sale has moved to Vinton, where she will reside.

Mayor Saunders is off on a business trip.

Mr. J. E. Soule has been engaged by the Greenwood Company as industrial agent. He will give his entire time to locating industries on this property.

Everybody reads THE TIMES "Want Column." If you have houses or rooms to rent, property or anything else to sell, put a small Ad. in THE TIMES, it will bring you calls.

Bristol, Tenn., Oct. 24.—[Special]—The Dominion National Bank was organized in this city yesterday with a capital stock of \$100,000 dollars. H. E. McCoy was elected president; W. F. Rhea, vice-president, and H. E. Jones, cashier. The following directors were elected: H. E. McCoy, H. E. Jones, J. M. Baker, W. F. Rhea, W. M. Pitzer, H. W. Bates, Bristol, and Col. J. B. Richmond, Gate City.

The predecessors of this bank, H. E. McCoy & Company, came here two years ago, and have built up a fine trade. The new bank will be opened in about two weeks.

The St. Lawrence Hotel, corner Front and Cumberland streets, Virginia side, was opened to the public this morning. Geo. L. Jacoby, formerly proprietor of the Hotel Roanoke and manager of Hotel Fairmont, is at the head of it, which secures its success. It will be equal to any in the city.

The revival meeting which Rev. W. W. Smith, of Wytheville, is conducting is likely to continue several days. Mr. Smith is an earnest, enthusiastic preacher, and says he is going to stir up the town.

Mr. C. Adams and Miss Mattie Darsh, two of our splendid young people, were married last night at the Hamilton House.

It seems that voters in Bristol have been registering for the last few weeks for nothing.

Attorney General G. W. Pickle, of Knoxville, has sent the following letter: The registration act, passed at the extra session (1890) of the legislature, provides "that the last published census shall control in every case. The act does not require a registration of voters for the November election, 1890, in any city that did not have 2,500 inhabitants under the Federal census of 1880. The Federal census of 1890 has not been officially announced, and can not be looked to at present." Bristol only had 1,800 voters in 1880.

C. B. Cool.

SALEM.

SALEM, Va., Oct. 24.—[Special]—There were 1,042 deeds recorded at the courthouse during this month.

The Bellevue school teachers having declined to accept, the school will not open until Monday.

Hon. John E. Massey and his bride have been the guests of Mrs. Col. Board the past week.

The State superintendent of public instructions was here Wednesday and was much pleased at the condition of the schools.

Dr. Wm. B. Yonce, of Roanoke College, has gone to attend the eastern conference of the Southwest Virginia synod, which meets at Hylton, Floyd county, Va.

A charter was granted last Wednesday by Judge Blair to a company called the "Salem Banking and Investment Company." It is designed for general banking and investment business. It has an authorized capital of \$100,000. Office in Salem. President, W. E. Hubbert; directors, J. P. Houtz, John O. Kizer, M. P. Frautz, D. G. Armstrong, of Salem, and A. E. Dickinson, of Richmond; R. H. Brown, of Marion, secretary.

Central Market, which will be one of the handsomest buildings of its kind in the State, will soon be completed. It is being built by Mr. George Allen.

Captain M. B. Rowe, of Fredericksburg, was in the city this week on business connected with the Victoria Land and Improvement Company. TULLY.

BUENA VISTA.

BUENA VISTA, Va., Oct. 24.—[Special]

—Our local capitalists and business men, recognizing the importance of immediate action in providing houses for the accommodation of our rapidly-growing town, have organized a building company, to be known as the "Equity Building Company," with a capital stock of \$100,000. The principal purpose of the company will be to build cheap and medium-sized tenement houses for artisans and laborers. The following will serve as officers for the first year: F. Sitterding, president, Richmond, Va.; John T. Stuart, secretary and treasurer, Buena Vista. Directors—John T. McKee, C. B. Guyer, S. M. Donald, B. C. Moomaw, O. D. Batchelor, John W. Childs and John Dreyer, Buena Vista.

The town council has decided to organize and equip a fire company. A hose carriage of the most modern design and pattern has been purchased, as well as 1,000 feet of hose and such other equipments as are necessary to make the department efficient.

E. Lehman, Esq., of Staunton, is having a handsome brick building erected at the corner of 21st street and Sycamore avenue, and proposes to open business about the first of December.

Mr. F. B. Richards, manager of the Buena Vista Iron Company, returned from Boston yesterday, bringing Mrs. Richards and her mother and sister, Mrs. and Miss Dinick of that city with him. Con.

ROCKY MOUNT.

ROCKY MOUNT, Oct. 24.—[Special]

—Col. Crocker, chief of the corps operating on the line between this place and Roanoke, has made one of the most successful pieces of engineering in the last few days ever accomplished in this country. He has succeeded in running a beautiful line around the end of the Grass Hill, near this place, securing an easy grade and reducing the cost of construction over the middle route immensely.

A singular incident occurred at Mrs. Trent's near town a few days ago. A hawk was pursuing a covey of partridges, and in their reckless flight to escape the talons of their most dreaded foe, eleven of the birds flew against Mrs. Trent's house and were killed. This lady went out and picked up the eleven birds and enjoyed a feast instead of the hawk.

In the case of Mr. George, a brakeman on the Richmond and Danville railroad, who was injured while coupling cars at this place last spring, at the depot, the jury, Wednesday, in Judge Whittle's court, in session here, returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$3,500 damages.

The Amende Honorable.

From the Salem Times-Register.

We are sure that the Times-Register does not object. Dr. Parsons can shovel dirt on every cut on the road, for all we care.

Salem's Interests Are Identical With Those of Roanoke.

From the Salem Times-Register.
SALEM, Va., Oct. 24.—The industrial interests of Salem and Roanoke, or Roanoke and Salem, are assuming such dimensions and importance that additional railroad facilities are very necessary to the rapid growth of these cities, and will be equally remunerative to the new roads themselves. The Norfolk and Western has done wonders toward the development of this section, and of Virginia, and deserves the praise of all, but the Norfolk and Western cannot do the whole work.

Now is an opportune time for a common and harmonious movement by the citizens of Roanoke and Salem to secure the building of the Roanoke and Southern to Roanoke and Salem; also, the building of the Valley railroad to Salem and Roanoke. The charter of the Roanoke and Southern takes it to Roanoke; then a line should also be extended to Salem. The charter of the Valley road, as well as a number of subscriptions and one compromise, brings the road to Salem; then a line should also be extended to Roanoke. Now, this is a common sense, liberal view of the situation; and if it were promptly and harmoniously acted on, would be sure to secure both roads for both places. Then let the Roanoke river become the head line on which manufactures and all kinds of good, desirable industries shall be strung. The two cities would—yes, will soon grow together, and the sooner we recognize this fact and act upon it, the better it will be for both towns and both railroads.

If reports be true, a majority of the towns between Norfolk and Bristol (inclusive) are secretly or openly working for or talking for the Valley road. Now the plain, disinterested, honest truth is, the charter and natural terminus of the Valley road is Salem, Va., but it should also go to Roanoke. I move, gentlemen of Roanoke and of Salem, soon to become twin cities—I move that we put aside this one-sided, all-or-none view of things and work for both roads to both places. Then I also move that a committee from both cities be appointed to carry out what is briefly indicated in this letter. Who will second the motions?

CITIZEN OF SALEM.

[The above communication was handed in by a prominent and wealthy citizen of Salem. We gladly give it a place in our columns and endorse it most heartily. There should be no rivalry between Salem and Roanoke—we are too near one, and should work together in union and for a common purpose. Let us take action at once.—EBS.]

BLUEFIELD.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Oct. 24.—[Special]—General Nathan Goff addressed the people of Bluefield Thursday night in Lawson's hall.

Mr. Thomas L. Rosser, Jr., and Miss Harriet H. Gordon were married at Charlottesville Wednesday.

There will be a meeting of citizens at the mayor's office next Monday night for the purpose of nominating a candidate for mayor.

Mr. W. H. Hayes, of the Maple Shade Inn, Pulaski, is now in charge of the Bluefield Inn, while Mr. Frank Morton is taking a short vacation.

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